

Remarks

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application. Claim 1 has been amended and claims 12-22 have been added to more clearly define the invention. Claim 12 includes the subject matter of prior claims 1 and 4. Claim 13 includes the subject matter of claim 5. Claim 14 includes the subject matter of claim 1 and 6. Claims 15-20 include the subject matter of claims 2-5, 8 and 10. Claim 21 includes the subject matter of prior claims 1, 8, 9. Claim 22 includes the subject matter of prior claims 1, 8 and 11. No new matter has been added in any of the new amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4, 5, 6, 9 and 11. Pursuant thereto, Applicant has added claims 12-22 to reflect this allowable subject matter. Claim 12 is claim 4 rewritten to include the features of prior claim 1. Claim 14 is claim 6 rewritten to include the features of prior claim 1. Claim 21 is claim 9 rewritten to include the features of claim 1 and 8. Claim 22 is claim 11 rewritten to include the features of claims 1 and 8. Thus, Applicant submits that claims 12, 14, 21 and 22 are now allowable.

Claims 13 and 15-20 depend from claims 12 and 14, respectively, and thus are allowable since they depend from allowable claims.

Prior Rejections of Claims 1-3, 7, 8 and 10

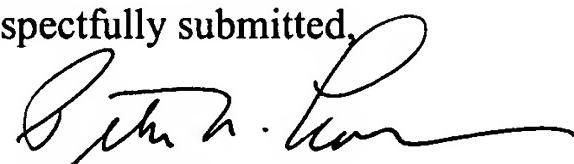
Claims 1-3, 7, 8 and 10 were finally rejected in view of Evans et al. (US 6,487,800 B1). However, in the Advisory Action of April 29, 2004, the Examiner noted that the invention was in the providing of a plurality of implements with varying recesses and respective bushings for each of the implement recesses.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the features wherein the implement is “selected from a group of implements having varying sized and shaped recesses” and “each bushing selected from a group of bushings having varying configurations, said selected bushing having a configuration receivable within and conforming to one of said implement recesses for the selected implement.” Such features are neither disclosed nor taught in Evans et al.

Conclusion

In view of the forgoing, Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance. An early action indication of such is earnestly solicited. However, if there are any issues that remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to expedite a resolution to such issues. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees or credit any overpayment of fees in connection with this communication to Deposit Account 19-4375.

Respectfully submitted,



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